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Application No.: 10/076,624	:	Group Art Unit: 2131
Filed: February 19, 2002	:	Examiner: Trang T. Doan
For: PUBLIC KEY CERTIFICATE GENERATION METHOD, VALIDATION METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREOF		

REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW (WITH AGENDA)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a telephone interview regarding distinguishing amended claim 11 over the cited prior art. Amended claim 11 was submitted in an Amendment on February 22, 2007, and accompanied with a Request for Continued Examination. Amended claim 11 is repeated below for convenience.

In the interests of expediting prosecution of the application, Applicants request that the telephone interview be granted before an Office Action is written.

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11. (Currently Amended) A method for generating a public key certificate of an end entity by a registration authority and an issuing authority in a public key infrastructure, comprising the steps of:

generating, by the registration authority, ~~a signature certify contents that are to be included in the public key certificate, out of contents registered with the registration authority; a~~
signature to contents registered with the public key certificate;

generating, by the registration authority, a certificate issuing request including the contents signed by the registration authority and the registration authority signature;

sending the certificate issuing request from the registration authority to the issuing authority; and

generating, by the issuing authority, the public key certificate including the contents signed by the registration authority, the registration authority signature, issuing contents issued by the issuing authority, and ~~an issuing authority signature signed by the issuing authority to certify the contents signed by the registration authority, the registration authority signature and~~
~~issuing contents issued by the issuing authority~~ an issuing authority signature to the contents signed by the registration authority, the registration authority signature and issuing contents issued by the issuing authority.

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